
OU 6 CONTRIBUTIONS

Operable Unit No. 6 has made several significant contributions specific to expediting the schedule and improving the quality of the RFI/RI. Among those contributions, the most significant are:

1. Since field operations have started and been completed, the durations of activities for OU 6 have been slightly less than scheduled in spite of performing field work during winter months and encountering unanticipated obstacles during field operations.
2. A combined Environmental Evaluation (EE) field program was initiated by OUs 5, 6, and 7. This approach accounted for improved efficiency as opposed to the originally scheduled individual EE efforts for each OU.
3. Improvements such as sampling sediment and water at the juncture of tributaries were implemented along Walnut Creek. Although the methodology was modified by EPA and the Colorado Department of Health (CDH), the improvement was initiated by EG&G. Those improvements required unscheduled time and resources to plan and implement.
4. Technical Memorandum No. 1, which included the above-described stream sampling improvements, also contained measures which reduced the scope of the field operations thereby saving time and resources without reducing the quality of the Remedial Investigation.
5. Since validated data are not needed in the Treatability Study/Feasibility Study (TS/FS) until the Treatability Study Needs phase are completely validated which is six months ahead of the presently delayed IAG schedule. Thus, the TS/FS can be accelerated without effecting the quality of the work.